

CARS CLUB MEETING MINUTES 5 / 2 / 16

Called to order at 7:30 pm

Attendees: 15 members and 5 guests

Announcements: Shack day May 21

Norman Harris, K4NDH announced he is moving to Florida in mid-June now that he has his house sold. Norm discussed how much he appreciates CARS and intends to maintain his membership.

Presentation: Joe Ostrowski KI5FJ, presented an interesting slide show and technical discussion of Amplitude Modulation.

Previous minutes were accepted as read.

Treasurer's Report was presented by Tom, K4SF and the club is in good financial condition. Tom announced his intention to step down as Treasurer and recommended the club be canvassed to find his replacement.

Committee Reports:

ARES: Steve KE8YN provided an overview of changes to the ICS system and exhibited the elements most closely followed by our local ARES units. Monthly classes will resume 10 am Saturday, May 14. Additional volunteers are needed.

Repeater: The 444.000 repeater that was taken out of service due to malicious interference will be put back in service soon now that a way to disable it when necessary has been found.

Tour de Cure: Turnout for the event was just barely adequate, with no relief operators.

Training / VE: Six of the eight students in our April Technician license class passed their exams, with two also passing their General exams. Twenty-two examinees participated in our VE at Springfest.

Field Day: Keith, KG4ZXK again called for volunteers to assist with Field Day, and mentioned that if no one steps up to help, there may not be a Field Day for CARS this year. He also mentioned that he may contact the Isle of Wight / Smithfield club and invite them to participate in our event, since it is rumored that they have not been able to secure a location for their Field Day.

Old Business:

Springfest results: Although under another hundred dollars may show up from members' ticket sales, it appears this year's profit from Springfest is down 30% from last year and down 60% from 2014.

Meeting adjourned at 8:49 pm.